# Urban Studies Concentration Worksheet

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**Name:** ____________________________________________  
**Expected Date of Graduation:** ______________________

**Advisor:** __________________________________________

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**Capstone: Seminar, Project, or Thesis:**

**How are you fulfilling your writing requirement?**

Please use this worksheet to record your concentration requirements and bring it to your meeting with your advisor.

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1. **Introduction (1 course required)**
   - POLS 0220 City Politics (Social Sciences)
   - URBN 0210 The City: An Introduction to Urban Studies
   - URBN 0230 Urban Life in Providence: An Introduction

2. **Research Methods (1 course required)**
   - APMA 0650 Essential Statistics
   - APMA 1650 Statistical Inference I
   - APMA 1660 Statistical Inference II
   - CLPS 0900 Quantitative Methods in Psychology
   - ECON 1620 Introduction to Econometrics
   - EDUC 1110 Introductory Statistics for Education Research and Policy Analysis
   - POLS 1600 Political Research Methods
   - SOC 1020 Methods of Social Research
   - SOC 1100 Introductory Statistics for Social Research

3. **Basic Curriculum (Total of 6 courses required)**
   - **a) Core Courses** (3 courses required, in at least 3 disciplines, such as American Studies, anthropology, economics, education, history, history of art and architecture, literature, political science, and sociology, as well as urban planning when staffing allows)
     - AMST 1612D Cities of Sound: Place and History in American Pop Music (Humanities)
     - ANTH 1236 Urban Life: Anthropology In and Of the City (Humanities) (Social Sciences)
     - ANTH 1255 Anthropology of Disasters (Humanities) (Sustainable Urbanism)
     - ECON 1410 Urban Economics (Social Sciences)
     - ENGL 0700N City Novels (Humanities)
     - ENGL 1760K Reading New York (Humanities)
     - ENVS 1400 Sustainable Design in the Built Environment (Built Environment) (Sustainable Urbanism)
     - ENVS 1580 Environmental Stewardship and Resilience in Urban Systems (Built Environment) (Sustainable Urbanism)
     - GEOL 1320 Introduction to Geographic Information Systems for Environmental Applications (Social Sciences)
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- **HIAA 0700** 19th Century Architecture  (Built Environment)
- **HIAA 0840** History of Rhode Island Architecture  (Built Environment)
- **HIAA 0850** Modern Architecture  (Built Environment)
- **HIAA 0860** Contemporary Architecture  (Built Environment)
- **HIAA 0900** City & Cinema  (Humanities)
- **HIAA 1103** Introduction to Architectural Design Studio  (Built Environment)
- **HIAA 1850D** Film Architecture  (Built Environment) (Humanities)
- **HIST 1820** American Urban History to 1870  (Humanities) (Social Sciences)
- **HIST 1830** American Urban History since 1870  (Humanities) (Social Sciences)
- **POLS 0220** City Politics  (Social Sciences)
- **SOC 1330** Remaking the City  (Social Sciences)
- **SOC 1340** Principles and Methods of Geographic Information Systems  (Social Sciences)
- **SOC 1640** Social Exclusion  (Social Sciences)
- **URBN 1200** The United States Metropolis, 1945-2000  (Humanities) (Social Sciences)
- **URBN 1210** Regional Planning  (Built Environment) (Sustainable Urbanism)
- **URBN 1220** Planning Sustainable Cities  (Built Environment) (Sustainable Urbanism)
- **URBN 1230** Crime and the City  (Humanities) (Social Sciences)
- **URBN 1240** In Search of the Global Black Metropolis  (Social Sciences)

**b) Seminars** *(3 seminars required) Indicate which seminar will be your capstone:_______________________*

- **AMST 1903E** City of the American Century  (Humanities)
- **EDUC 1650** Policy Implementation in Education  (Social Sciences)
- **ENGL 1760F** City, Culture, and Literature in the Early Twentieth Century  (Humanities)
- **ETHN 1870A** Ethnic Los Angeles *(also HIST 1974T)*  (Humanities) (Social Sciences)
- **HIAA 1850H** Berlin: Architecture, Politics and Memory  (Built Environment) (Humanities)
- **HIAA 1910A** Architecture of Downtown Providence from Late 19th Century to the Present  (Built Environment) (Humanities)
- **HIST 1974T** Ethnic Los Angeles *(also ETHN 1870A)*  (Humanities) (Social Sciences)
- **HIST 1975G** The Urban Crisis and American Political Culture, 1932-1984  (Social Sciences)
- **HMAN 1971A** City Spaces, City Memories  (Humanities)
- **POLS 2220** Urban Politics  (Senior Concentrators by permission only)  (Social Sciences)
- **PPAI 1700J** GIS and Public Policy  (Social Sciences)
- **SOC 1870Q** World Cities  (Social Sciences)
- **SOC 1871W** Geographical Analysis of Society  (Social Sciences)
- **SOC 2960C** Urban Sociology  (Social Sciences)
- **URBN 1000** Fieldwork in the Urban Community  (Social Sciences)
- **URBN 1010** Fieldwork in Urban Archaeology and Historical Preservation  (Built Environment) (Social Sciences)
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<td>Representing the 20th Century City (Humanities)</td>
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<td>Cities in Mind: Modern Urban Thought &amp; Theory (Humanities)</td>
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<td>Bottom-Up Urbanism (Social Sciences)</td>
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<td>The City, the River, and the Sea: Social and Environmental Change at the Water's Edge (Sus. Urban.)</td>
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<td>Transportation: An Urban Planning Perspective (Built Environment)</td>
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<td>Land Use Planning: The Future of the I-195 Parcels (Built Environment) (Sustainable Urbanism)</td>
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<td>Drawing and Creating in 2d, 3d and CAD for Architecture and Urban Design (Built Environment)</td>
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### 4. Complementary Curriculum (Total of 2 courses required)

**a) or b)** a) Any course from Sections 1 or 3 and not used to meet those requirements  
   b) OR Any of the following from recent listings of courses around the University

- AFRI 0600 Race, Gender, and Urban Politics (Social Sciences)
- AFRI 0620 African-American Life in the City (Humanities) (Social Sciences)
- AMST 0150B Boston: A City Through Time (Humanities)
- AMST 0190D Popular Music and the City (Humanities)
- AMST 1611A Making America in 20th Century US: Immigrant/Ethnic Literature (Humanities)
- AMST 1903G Oral History and Community Memory (Humanities)
- AMST 1904M Erasing the Urban Deficit
- ANTH 1301 Anthropology of Homelessness (Social Sciences) Credit AY’15 ONLY
- ARCH 0400 City and Sanctuary in the Ancient World (Built Environment) (Humanities)
- ARCH 1150 Cities and Urban Space in the Ancient World (Built Environment) (Humanities)
- ARCH 1155 Cities, Colonies and Global Networks in the Western Mediterranean (Humanities)
- ARCH 1200F City and the Festival (Humanities)
- ARCH 1600 Archaeologies of Near East (Built Environment) (Humanities)
- ARCH 1720 How Houses Build People (Built Environment) (Humanities)
- ARCH 1900 The Archaeology of College Hill (Built Environment) (Humanities)
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- COLT 0811Q Mediterranean Cities (Humanities)
- COLT 1810H Tales of Two Cities: Havana - Miami, San Juan (Humanities)
- DEVL 1650 Urbanization in China: Megacities, Mass Migration, and Citizenship Struggles (Social Sciences)
- EDUC 0410E Empowering Youth: Insights from Research on Urban Adolescents (Social Sciences)
- EDUC 1150 Education, the Economy, and School Reform (Social Sciences)
- EDUC 1720 Urban Schools in Historical Perspective (Humanities)
- ENGL 1710I Harlem Renaissance (Humanities)
- ENGN 1930S Land Use and the Built Environment: An entrepreneurial view (Built Environment)
- ENVS 0520 Wild Literature in the Urban Landscape (Humanities)
- ENVS 1410 Environmental Law and Policy (Sustainable Urbanism)
- ENVS 1555 Urban Agriculture: The Importance of Localized Food Systems (Sustainable Urbanism)
- ENVS 1929 The Fate of the Coast: Land Use and Public Policy in an Era of Rising Seas (Built Envir.) (Sus. Urbanism)
- ETHN 1890A Seminar on Latino Politics in the US (Social Sciences)
- GRMN 1660B Berlin: A City Strives to Reinvent Itself (Humanities)
- HIAA 0030 Theories of Architecture from Vitruvius to Venturi (Built Environment)
- HIAA 0550 Florence and Tuscany in the Fifteenth Century (Humanities)
- HIAA 0560 Constructing the Eternal City: Popes and Pilgrims in Renaissance Rome (Humanities)
- HIAA 0770 Architecture and Urbanism of the African Diaspora (Built Environment)
- HIAA 1560C Renaissance Venice and the Veneto (Built Environment) (Humanities)
- HIAA 1850G Contemporary American Urbanism: City Design and Planning, 1945-2000 (Built Environment)
- HIAA 1910D Water and Architecture (Built Environment) (Sustainable Urbanism)
- HIST 1301 Nineteenth-Century Cities: Paris, London, Chicago (Humanities)
- HIST 1311 Land Use and Capitalism, 1350-2013 (Humanities)
- HIST 1540 Samurai and Merchants, Prostitutes and Priests (Humanities)
- HIST 1670 History of Brazil (Humanities)
- HIST 1960T Modernity, Jews, and Urban Identity in Central Europe, 1867-1938 (Humanities) (JUDS 1718)
- HIST 1970R Colonial Modernities: Europe and the Middle East (Humanities)
- HIST 1973E Cities & Urban Culture in China (Humanities)
- HIST 1973P City as Modernity:Popular Culture, Mass Consumption, Urban Entertainment in 19thC Paris (Humanities)
- HIST 1978A Drifting Cities. Multiethnic Societies from Empire to Nation-State (Humanities)
- HIST 1978K The Mediterranean City: Conflict and Coexistence in the Long 20th Century (Humanities)
- HIST 1978T Fin-de-Siècle Paris and Vienna (Humanities)
- HMAN 1971B Paris Archive: The Capital of the Nineteenth Century, 1848-1871 (Humanities)
- JAPN 0910B Japanese Cities: Tokyo and Kyoto (Humanities)
- POLS 1310 African American Politics (Social Sciences)
Candidates for Honors must have above average grades and shall apply for this distinction in writing to the Director of the Program by the middle of the second semester of their junior year. They shall include a cover letter with a brief statement of the intended research proposal as well as the name of the member of the Urban Studies faculty who would serve as their advisor and with whom they must work closely. Twelve courses are required for Honors concentrator, two in addition to the ten courses required for a standard program. In fall semester, honors thesis students shall enroll in an independent reading and research course with their adviser (URBN 1970 in their adviser’s section) or take an additional research skills course, and in the Spring, they shall take the Honors Thesis Workshop (URBN 1981). The candidate’s final thesis must be of outstanding quality, in order to qualify for honors.

c) OR any RISD course approved by the Urban Studies Program each semester (two maximum)
d) OR any course taken at another university in the US or abroad and approved by the Urban Studies Program each semester (two maximum)

5. Honors (2 additional courses required)
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